Docket No.: 57454-062 <u>PATENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

omohide TERASHIMA : Confirmation Number: 5366

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed March 15, 2004.

The Notice of Allowability indicates this communication is responsive to Amendment filed on August 29, 2003. This date is incorrect. The Amendment was timely filed on January 28, 2004, in response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2003.

It is believed that the Examiner reviewed and considered the January 28, 2004 Amendment because it is mentioned in the Notice of Allowability under "Corrected Drawings" and again on Page 2 of the attached "Detailed Action".